

## APD NEWS

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## APD officers play in "Kids vs. Cops" soccer game at Dobie Middle School

On Wednesday, May 14, 2008, officers with the Austin Police Department will compete in a "Kids vs. Cops" soccer game at Dobie Middle School. A total of 30 students from Dobie Middle School, ten from each grade who participated in the "Do the Right Thing" program and have the best attendance will participate in the game. From 10 a.m. to 2 p.m. the soccer game, barbecue and other athletic activities will take place.

Kids vs. Cops Soccer Game Wednesday, May 14, 2008 10 a.m. to 2 p.m. Dobie Middle School 1200 East Rundberg Lane Austin, TX 78753

Dobie's Drop Out Prevention Specialist, Maria Hernandez, and Parent Support Specialist, Elisa Quintana created the "Do the Right Thing" program to help improve attendance. Students currently meet on Friday mornings and discuss how to improve their attendance. During these meetings motivational speakers are brought in to help encourage students.

Dobie Middle School, The Austin Police Department, the Office of Community Liaison/Blue Santa, Eastside Story, Launch Pad and Frito Lay are sponsoring this event.

<u>Media Advisory</u>: Austin Police officers and Dobie Middle School staff will be available for interview at 11 a. m.